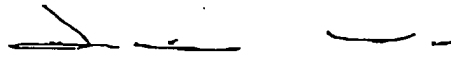


Remarks

Per requirement set forth in the attached Request for Participation in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Pilot Program, pending claims 3, 6, 9 and 12 are now the same as claims 1-4 in the Japanese application.

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